

Regula
Rehberg
Reichert
Renzi
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Sali
Saxton
Schmidt
Sensenbrenner

Sessions
Shadegg
Shays
Shimkus
Shuster
Simpson
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Souder
Stearns
Sullivan
Tancredo
Terry
Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi

Turner
Upton
Walberg
Walden (OR)
Walsh (NY)
Wamp
Weldon (FL)
Weller
Westmoreland
Whitfield (KY)
Wilson (NM)
Wilson (SC)
Wittman (VA)
Wolf
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—20

Allen
Boswell
Graves
Gutierrez
Hinojosa
Hulshof
Jones (OH)

Keller
Lungren, Daniel
E.
Marchant
Mollohan
Moore (WI)
Pryce (OH)

Reynolds
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Smith (TX)
Sutton
Wexler
Woolsey

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1342

So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 74, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 73 and 74, had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on No. 73 and "aye" on No. 74.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 974, House Resolution 955 is laid on the table.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEES ON AGRICULTURE AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committees on Agriculture and Science and Technology:

FEBRUARY 21, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Thank you for your service and for your leadership. I appreciate all your hard work and commitment to upholding the proud traditions of the House of Representatives.

Due to my impending appointment to the Committee on Appropriations, I hereby respectfully submit my resignation from the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Science and Technology, effective Monday, February 25, 2008.

I appreciate your consideration and I look forward to working with you in the future. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can ever be of assistance.

With kind regards, I am,
Sincerely,

JO BONNER,
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.
There was no objection.

ELECTING MINORITY MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. PUTNAM. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the House Republic Conference, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 998

Resolved, That the following Members are, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees:

(1) COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.—Mr. Bonner of Alabama;

(2) COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET.—Mr. Jordan of Ohio;

(3) COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES.—Mr. Heller of Nevada;

(4) COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES.—Mr. Smith of Nebraska, and Mr. Wittman of Virginia; and,

(5) COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.—Mr. Latta.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ELECTING A MEMBER TO A CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. SIRES. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 999

Resolved, That the following named Member be, and is hereby, elected to the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS.—Ms. Lee.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SIRES. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 3521, and to insert extraneous material thereon.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

□ 1345

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Small Business:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 21, 2008.

Speaker NANCY PELOSI,
House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

MADAM SPEAKER: This letter serves as my intent to resign from the Committee on

Small Business, effective Monday, February 25, 2008. It has been my honor and pleasure to serve on the committee and I look forward to the work ahead for the remainder of the 110th Congress.

Sincerely,

JIM JORDAN,
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEES ON NATURAL RESOURCES, EDUCATION AND LABOR, AND SMALL BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committees on Natural Resources, Education and Labor, and Small Business:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 22, 2008.

Speaker NANCY PELOSI,
The Capitol,

Washington, DC.

Minority Leader JOHN BOEHNER,
The Capitol,
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI AND MINORITY LEADER BOEHNER: This letter serves as my intent to resign from the House Natural Resources Committee, Education and Labor Committee, and Small Business Committee, effective Monday, February 25th, 2008. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

DEAN HELLER,
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

PUBLIC HOUSING ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 974 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 3521.

□ 1348

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3521) to improve the Operating Fund for public housing of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, with Mr. SERRANO in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered read the first time.

The gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SIRES) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. ROSKAM) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Jersey.

Mr. SIRES. Mr. Chairman, I am very happy to be here debating this bill to help public housing authorities across